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MEMORANDUM FOR: Executive Director

VIA: General Counsel
Deputy Director for Operations
Deputy Director for Science and Technology

FROM: Harry E. Fitzwater
Deputy Director for Administration

SUBJECT: Review of Patent Applications
Under Secrecy Order

General Counsel
84-04485

1. This memorandum contains a recommendation in paragraph 4 for the approval of the Executive Director.

2. The U.S. Patent Office will, at the request of a sponsoring federal agency, impose secrecy orders on patent applications that are determined to contain classified information. The secrecy order prevents a patent from being publicly issued and maintains the secrecy of the sensitive files. Secrecy orders must be renewed annually, and the "chief officer of the agency who caused the order to be issued" must provide notification that an affirmative determination has been made that the national interest continues to require the secrecy order.

3. On 4 May 1983, the Agency received a request from [redacted]

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[redacted] to provide the required notification for renewal of the secrecy orders on 29 patent applications presently under Patent Office secrecy order. The patent applications were reviewed by the responsible components in all directorates, and recommendations have been received that 19 of the applications be declassified and released from secrecy order. The Patent Office request has also been coordinated within the Intelligence Community, through the Intelligence Community Staff, and they have concurred that we should submit our recommendations to the Patent Office with the proviso that the Department of Defense and other members of the Intelligence Community be formally contacted by the Patent Office for their individual recommendations. We have been advised further that no member of the Intelligence Community objects to our recommendations for declassification of the 19 patent applications. These patent applications are described in Attachment A. The remaining ten applications remain classified and continue to require secrecy orders.

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FBI review(s)
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4. It is recommended that the attached letter (Attachment B) listing the 19 applications which we recommend declassifying, and the ten on which classification must be maintained, be approved for transmittal to the Office of the Judge Advocate General.

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[Redacted Signature]

Harry E. Fitzwater

Attachments:
As Stated

CONCUR:

STANLEY SPORKIN

General Counsel

20 DEC 1984

Date

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Deputy Director for Operations

04 JAN 1985

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Deputy Director for Science
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05 JAN 1985

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Executive Director

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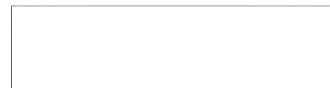
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Attachment A contains the recommendations of components directly concerned with the subject matter of the patent applications and includes the reasons for recommending declassification.

The Chief, Science and Technology Control Group, Policy and Coordination Staff coordinated for the Directorate of Operations.

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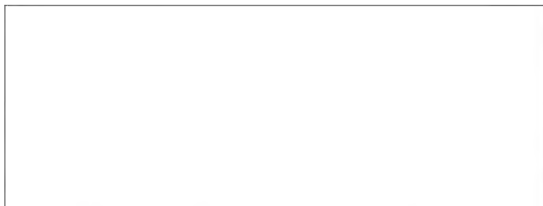
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Central Intelligence Agency



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Washington, D.C. 20310

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Attention: 

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Dear 

In response to your letter of 4 May 1983 to  of this office, the Central Intelligence Agency has reviewed the patent applications in question and the Executive Director recommends that 19 of the subject patent applications be declassified and released from Patent Office secrecy order, provided there is no objection interposed by other Executive Branch departments or agencies with classification authority. The 19 patent applications are described as follows:

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<u>Serial No.</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>	<u>Inventor</u>	<u>Title</u>

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<u>Serial No.</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>	<u>Inventor</u>	<u>Title</u>
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At our request, the Intelligence Community Staff canvassed the appropriate agencies of the Intelligence Community to determine their interests regarding the continuation of secrecy orders for the 19 patent applications which CIA has no interest in renewing. Copies of the letters which requested their interests and the replies received are attached. The verbal reply from the Department of Energy was to the effect that they had no interest, but would coordinate formally with the Patent Office when requested. (U)

Since there may be other departments and agencies, particularly those associated with the Armed Services Patent Advisory Board, which were not canvassed and which may have an interest in maintaining the secrecy of one or more of these 19 patent files, we further recommend that formal inquiries be made of all departments and agencies with classification authority to determine if they wish to sponsor an extension of any of the subject secrecy orders. (U)

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As to the other patent applications cited in your letter, the Executive Director has determined that the national interest continues to require the subject secrecy orders, and it is accordingly requested that the orders be renewed. The ten applications referred to are:

Serial No.Filing DateInventor

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Please advise me concerning the results of your inquiries and of any final decision to declassify or rescind these secrecy orders. Thank you for your cooperation and assistance in this matter. (U)

Sincerely,

Stanley Sporkin
General Counsel

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NATIONAL SECURITY AGENCY
FORT GEORGE G. MEADE, MARYLAND 20755-6000

Serial: Q4-1058-84

23 OCT 1984

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[Redacted]
Room 5E25
CIA Headquarters
Washington, DC 20505

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Dear [Redacted]

Reference is made to your letter SECOM-D-206 of 4 September 1984 concerning patent applications presently under secrecy order.

We have reviewed the list of 19 patent applications enclosed with your letter with particular attention to the three of special interest to this agency (Serials: [Redacted])

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We have concluded that there is no security interest of concern to NSA which would require continuation of the secrecy orders on any of the listed patent applications.

Thank you for providing notice of this action.

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[Redacted]
Chief
Information Policy

DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE
Security Committee

SECOM-D-206

4 September 1984

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[redacted]
National Security Agency
9800 Savage Road
Fort George G. Meade
Maryland 20755-6000

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Dear [redacted]

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We anticipate that, once CIA's recommendations have been received [redacted] the U.S. Patent Office, this matter will be referred to you for a formal declaration as to whether your agency wishes to sponsor continuation of any of the secrecy orders. To facilitate this action, we request that you review the patent files in question at the U.S. Patent Office. You may contact [redacted] for further details as to how to review the files to determine whether you wish to continue the classification on any of these patent applications.

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Attached is a list of the 19 patent applications for which declassification is recommended, and the reasons therefor. After you have had the opportunity to review the files at the U.S. Patent Office, please advise me whether your agency would object to declassification. We will advise CIA, which will then be in a position to inform [redacted] on both the CIA position and that of the Intelligence Community generally. This will expedite any future review process that may be required by the Patent Office concerning these applications. A response by 14 September 1984 would be appreciated. If I can be of assistance, please call [redacted]

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Sincerely,

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DCI Security Committee
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CIA Headquarters
Washington, D.C. 20505

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DEFENSE INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20301

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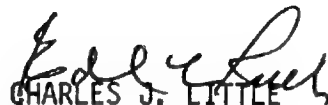
MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE, ATTENTION: CHAIRMAN,
SECURITY COMMITTEE

SUBJECT: Patent Secrecy Act

1. Reference is made to your letter of 4 September 1984, SECOM-D-206, to
DIA [redacted] of the DIA Office of Security, in which you inquired into DIA
FOIAB3A interests in continuing the classification of certain patent applications.

2. Inquiry into this matter indicates that the patents in question are outside the purview of this Agency. Accordingly, DIA has no objection to declassification of the patents, subject to concurrence in declassification by the other members of the Intelligence Community.

FOR THE DIRECTOR:


CHARLES J. LITTLE
Colonel, USA
Chief, Office of Security

DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE
Security Committee

SECOM-D-206

4 September 1984

Defense Intelligence Agency
Attn: OS-3B
Room 2A536, The Pentagon
Washington, D.C. 20301

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Sincerely,

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DCI Security Committee
Room 5E25
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Washington, D.C. 20505



U.S. Department of Justice

Federal Bureau of Investigation

Washington, D.C. 20535

September 11, 1984

BY LIAISON

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[Redacted]
Room 5E25
CIA Headquarters
Washington, D. C.

STAT

Dear [Redacted]

Reference is made to your letter dated September 4, 1984, which advised of a U. S. Patent Office request for declassification review of 29 patent applications presently under Secrecy Order, 10 of which your Agency concluded require continuation of secrecy orders which the CIA will sponsor.

You requested our review of the other 19 patent applications described in your attachment, to determine if we wish to sponsor a renewal request for any of them.

We have concluded the remaining 19 applications do not warrant continued protection from a national security standpoint and have no objection to their declassification.

Sincerely yours,

Lloyd E. Dean

Lloyd E. Dean
Security Programs Manager

DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE
Security Committee

SECOM-D-206

4 September 1984

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[redacted]
Room 5425
Federal Bureau of Investigation
10th & Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20535

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Dear [redacted]

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Robert E. Laidenheimer
Chairman

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CIA Headquarters
Washington, D.C. 20505



PUBLIC AFFAIRS

OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20301

14 SEP 1984

Ref: 84-CORR-251

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[Redacted]
Room 5E25
CIA Headquarters
Washington, DC 20505

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Dear [Redacted]

This responds to your September 4 letter (SECOM-D-206).

The Directorate for Freedom of Information and Security Review, an element of the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Public Affairs, is not a member of the Intelligence Community. Hence, we are unable to express Community interests.

We have contacted Mr. Raubitschek of the Department of the Army's Office of The Judge Advocate General. That office acts as the Executive Agent for the Department of Defense (DoD) on patent secrecy matters, and its staff solicits recommendations from DoD Components as needed; ~~separate reviews by this Directorate are neither required nor desired.~~

Accordingly, we do not plan to review any of the files referred to in your communication.

Sincerely,

W. M. McDonald
Director, Freedom of Information
and Security Review

DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE
Security Committee

SECOM-D-206

4 September 1984

Mr. W. M. McDonald
Directorate for Freedom of Information
and Security Review
Office of the Secretary of Defense
Room 2C 757, The Pentagon
Washington, D.C. 20301

Dear Mr. McDonald:

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CIA Headquarters
Washington, D.C. 20505

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DATE:

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REPLY TO
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DP-322.1

SUBJECT:

Secrecy Orders and Patent Applications

TO:

Anthony Campana, GC-42

Per our September 19, 1984 telephone conversation, we are forwarding the CIA letter to Ms. Lytle [redacted] dated September 4, 1984. The letter concerns the renewal of secrecy orders on 19 patent applications, which is your area of expertise.

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Chief, Operations Branch
Office of Classification

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4 September 1984

Mrs. Jill Ellman Lytle
Director, Office of Classification
U.S. Department of Energy
Room C 536
Germantown Headquarters Building
Washington, D.C. 20545

Dear Mrs. Lytle:

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